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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: US/BRAZIL SHRIMP NEGOTIATIONS - USDEL REPORT NO. 2

1. SUMMARY - GOB PRESENTED HARD-LINE IN SECOND DAY OF TALKS AND INDICATED LITTLE, IF ANY, FLEXIBILITY ON TWO MAJOR ISSUES AND SEVERAL OTHERS WITH IMPORTANT JURIDICAL IMPLICATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. US DEL OPENED SECOND DAY OF SHRIMP TALKS WITH ARTICLE BY ARTICLE CRITICISM OF GOB DRAFT. EMPHASIS ON US OBJECTIONS TO SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN FEES AND TO DRASTIC PHASE-DOWN IN NUMBER OF VESSELS.

3. GOB (BATH) RESPONDED THAT FEES MUST BE INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY SO AS TO REFLECT ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RESOURCE. IF US IS NOT PREPARED TO DISCUSS AN INCREASE, GOB INDICATED NO REASON TO CONTINUE TALKS.

4. GOB ALSO RESPONDED THAT THERE WAS NO REASON TO CONTINUE TALKS

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UNLESS US IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT SUBSTANTIAL PHASE-DOWN IN NUMBER

OF VESSELS. GOB DESIRES TO INCREASE SHRIMP FISHING BY BRAZILIANS THROUGH JOINT VENTURES. GOB EXPLAINED CONTINUATION OF US INVOLVEMENT IN FISHERY AS PART OF JOINT VENTURE IS ACCEPTABLE.

5. INFORMALLY, BATH INDICATED SOME FLEXIBILITY WITH REGARD TO SIZE OF FLEET.

6 COMMENT - DESPITE GOB REPEATED ASSURANCES THAT JURIDICAL POSITIONS OF BOTH SIDES SHOULD BE PRESERVED, GOB POSITION OFFERS LITTLE FLEXIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CHARACTER OF 1972 AGREEMENT. EVEN PHASE-DOWN TO OVERALL QUOTA OF 160 VESSELS IN 1975 AND 120 VESSELS IN 1976 AS PART OF TWO YEAR AGREEMENT CAUSES INDUSTRY REPS SERIOUS PROBLEMS AND COULD NOT BE JUSTIFIED ON CONSERVATION GROUNDS. HOW MUCH FLEXIBILITY GOB HAS ON NUMBER OF VESSELS IS UNCLEAR, BUT NOMINAL PHASE-DOWN APPEARS TO BE OUT OF THE QUESTION AT THIS TIME. GOB INISISTS THAT USG PAY GOB AN AMOUNT THAT REFLECTS ECONOMIC SIGNIFICANCE OF RESOURCE, ALTHOUGH SOME FLEXIBILITY IN \$3,400 PER VESSEL FIGURE MAY EXIST. NEITHER INDUSTRY NOR CONGRESS ARE LIKELY TO PROVIDE ANY SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN FUNDS TO MEET GOB DEMANDS. MOREOVER, AS FEE GOES UP, OUR POSITION THAT WE ARE PAYING GOB ENFORCEMENT COSTS OF CONSERVATION AGREEMENT BECAUSE OF GOB PROXIMITY TO FISHERY BECOMES UNTENABLE. CHANGES IN TEXT OF ARTICLE IV, PARA 3, ALSO COME VERY CLOSE TO GOB RIGHT OF CONSENT BEFORE VESSELS MAY ENTER AREA.

7. US DEL CONSIDERING WHETHER CONTINUATION OF TALKS IS WORTHWHILE AT ALL.  
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